### § 1180.30

## Subpart B—General Application, Selection and Award Procedures Applications

#### APPLICATIONS

# § 1180.30 Publication of an application notice; content of the notice.

Each fiscal year the Director publishes application notices in the FEDERAL REGISTER that explain what kind of assistance is available that fiscal year under the Act.

#### §1180.31 Information in the application notice.

- (a) The application notice usually includes:
- (1) How an applicant can get an application packet containing detailed information about the program including an application form;
- (2) Where an applicant must send its application;
- (3) The amount of funds available for grants;
- (4) The approximate number of grants the Institute expects to make under the program;
- (5) The expected cap on grant(s) that may be applied for:
- (6) Any priorities established by the Institute for that year;
- (7) A reference to the applicable regulations.
  - (b) [Reserved]

#### § 1180.32 Deadline date for applications.

- (a) The application notice sets deadline date for applications to be postmarked or hand delivered to the Institute. The applicant shall:
- (1) Mail the application to the address specified in the application notice on or before the deadline date; or
- (2) Hand deliver the application to the address specified in the application notice by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on deadline date.
- (b) An applicant must be prepared to show one of the following as proof of timely mailing:
- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark.
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service.

- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
- (4) Any other dated proof of mailing acceptable to the Director.
- (c) If an application is mailed through the U.S. Postal Service, the Director does not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:
  - (1) A private metered postmark.
- (2) A mail receipt that is not date cancelled by the U.S. Postal Service.

# § 1180.33 Applicants must meet procedural rules.

The Director is authorized to make a grant only to an eligible applicant that submits a complete application, including attachments, on or before the deadline.

### § 1180.34 Number of copies.

Each applicant shall submit an original and four copies of its application to the Institute.

## $\S 1180.35$ Group applications.

- (a) Eligible museums may apply as a group for a project grant.
- (b) If a group of museums applies for a grant, the members of the group shall either:
- (1) Designate one member of the group to apply for the grant; or
- (2) Establish a separate, eligible legal entity, consisting solely of the museum group, to apply for the grant.
- (c) The members of the group, or entity, shall enter into an agreement that:
- (1) Details the activities that each member of the group plans to perform; and
- (2) Binds each member of the group to every statement and assurance made by the applicant in the application.
- (d) The applicant shall submit the agreement together with its application.
- (e) If the Director makes a grant to a group of eligible museums, the applicant for the group is the grantee and is legally responsible for:
  - (1) The use of all grant funds; and
- (2) Ensuring that the project is carried out by the group in accordance with applicable Federal laws, regulations, and requirements.
- (f) Each member of the group is legally responsible for: